

InvestWrite



The Foundation for Investor Education sponsors a nationwide InvestWrite essay competition for students who participate in The Stock Market Game. The background and assignment for this year's competition are described below. Students must write their own essays and document any sources they used for information. Essays must be **at least 400 words** and **may not exceed 850 words**.

To submit an essay:

- If you would like to turn in a rough draft, it must be typed in Microsoft Word and e-mailed to **mhall@buckleycountryday.com**
- Final papers must be e-mailed by the end of the day on **Wednesday, April 3, 2013**

InvestWrite Topic For Grades 6-8, Spring 2013

MINIMUM word count is 400 with a MAXIMUM of 850 for essays in this category.

Have you found that one of the hardest things about playing The Stock Market Game is deciding as a team what to buy or sell and when? Review your team portfolio. Which purchase or sale did your team disagree about the most? Why?

Now imagine if you did the opposite of what you and your team had agreed. How would it have affected your portfolio? Choose one stock, bond or mutual fund that your team agreed to buy or sell and imagine what would have happened if you had done the opposite. For example, if your team agreed to sell shares of a company, imagine what might have happened if your team had agreed to keep those shares instead. Be sure to provide these details in your essay:

1. The name and information about the stock, mutual fund or bond
2. Global or domestic economic or political events that might have affected the performance of the stock, mutual fund or bond
3. Sources that support the imagined outcome you describe

**Final Essay
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Judges will base their decisions on the author's understanding of the subject matter, rationale, and writing style. For more information about the judging criteria, visit <http://www.investwrite.info/judging.aspx>

For more information about the topic, please refer to articles and activities available in history class. For any research that you do when preparing your essay, cite your sources using the format in the "Buckley Style Guide."

Don't Forget:

**** Include a catchy title!**

****Include a citation of sources at the bottom!**